



## State of Utah

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January 10, 2007

James Lekas  
Lexco, Inc.  
582 North Vernal Avenue  
P. O. Box 1198  
Vernal, Utah 84078

Subject: Formal Approval of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations and Form and Amount of Reclamation Surety; Lexco, Inc.; Cottonwood Mine; M0470064; Tasks 109, 655, and 1464; Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lekas:

On November 27, 2006, Division Director John Baza signed an agreement with the Bureau of Land Management concerning the reclamation surety being held by the Bureau of Land Management for the Cottonwood Mine. The reclamation contract was signed November 17, 2006. Copies of these documents are enclosed. You now have the Division's final approval to begin mining operations.

A copy of the approved Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations is also enclosed for your use. This copy has been stamped with the approval date. In the future, if you need to modify the notice, please furnish a redline/strikeout version of the page(s) you wish to change and indicate how these are to be incorporated into the current approved plan using form MR-REV which is located on the Division's web page at [www.dogm.utah.gov](http://www.dogm.utah.gov).

Thank you for your help and patience in finalizing this permitting action. Please call me if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White  
Mining Program Coordinator  
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosures: Reclamation Contract

BLM Agreement

Notice of Intention

cc: Stan Perkes, State BLM Office

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